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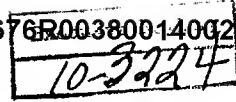
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April. 29, 1958

Chief. Allen W. Dulles.
Central Intelligence Agency.
Washington. D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles,

I enjoyed reading your article in
the New York Times of this date, April 29,
1958, (C. D. A. Chief Calls Soviet Gains
Grave Threat to U. S. Economy.)

your article brought to my mind a
statement made to me during the year 1954,
by Mr. N. K. Drigorov, Commercial Counsellor
of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, at
their Embassy in Washington, D. C.

He said President. Harry S. Truman,
cancelled the Trade agreement between the
United States and the Soviet Union in
the year 1951, and unless some day

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This agreement was not re-instated, it might cause Russia to set up plants of their own and manufacture all kinds of commodities that Russia couldn't buy from American manufacturers.

Mr. Drigoriev, also said if this should happen then there could come a day when Russia might become a competitor to the American manufacturers in the world markets.

I passed on this information to our own Government authorities immediately, but found no one too concerned with the information.

I keep good commercial contact with Russians here, I attend their social functions, with the full knowledge of our own government authorities.

Several years ago I was offered the exclusive on Russian Vodka. I couldn't find any large American whiskey company

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interested, all said it wouldn't sell in the States.

Right now the Stacole Company, of Chicago, Ill. and Jules C. Steig Co., Ltd. of New York, are selling this same Russian Vodka.

Recently the Russian Ambassador, and the Russian Wrestlers, put on a show here at the New York Athletic Club, sponsored by our State Department. The real Russian Vodka was served to all.

I have been trying for an exclusive on Russian Platinum, and now await the early arrival here of Mr. I. I. Ivanov, Vice President of Dozpromexport, Moscow. I hope to complete a deal when Mr. Ivanov arrives here. please God.

I believe we must face facts like businessmen have to do, we cannot play games. We must tell the truth to the American people and they will face the true facts. I admire a man of your standing for coming out and telling

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the true facts as you find them.

Too many of our top leaders are busy with crime stories and the like. Every nation has crime and criminals even the Soviet Union has their share.

The American people would like to see the end here to all menaces, such as Communism, the Mafia, National Gambling Syndicates, Racketeering between American Businessmen and Union Leaders.

With all the money appropriated and spent by our government for law enforcement we should have no Communist menace, no Mafia menace, no big Gambling Bzers, most all these characters were not born in these United States in the first place.

Keep up your good work Mr. Dulles. I will enjoy reading about yourself and the fine work being done by your staff.

Remain.

Very truly yours

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

OO/Contact and the Office of Security
have no derogatory information on Subject.
He was in ONI during WW II and his business
dealings with the Soviets are known to the
FBI.



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